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Solebury, Bucks Co. Penn. 9th mo. 27, 1837

Dear friend:

I happened accidentaley to meet, a few days since with a number of the "New-England Spectator", containing an article headed "protest of clerical abolitionists", and have since been made acquainted with some kindred movements in that vicinity, and must say that my astonishment was exceeded only by the pain it gave me to think that men, professing to be ministers of the gospel of Christ, should seriously believe, that the advocacy and advancement of one truth, ~~should~~ can have the most remote tendency to retard the progress of another. Such men, profess what they may, can not be expected to proclaim "the whole counsel of God"; they are "dumb dogs that cannot bark" and the sooner the people, whom they have been wont to guide, shall forsake them for a higher & holier leader, the better it will be for them; yea, infinitely better, if they would immediately and forever leave all teachings of men, and seek instruction at the fountain of all truth. +++ To what an immeasurable depth do such time-serving, power-seeking ministers of Christ sink, when placed in juxta-position with those moral heroes, whose tranquil and immovable courage, which looks alone for its reward to heaven, can face an overwhelming corrupt public sentiment in daring to proclaim the whole truth of God! +

Go on, then, my friend, in thy present course. Let Peace be thy watchword — let righteousness be thy shield of defence — and the Lava of violence, the ~~target at~~ very root and groundwork of all iniquity, be the target at which to aim thy shafts; and tho' the warrior & the politician, the magistracy and the clergy, with their countless host of retainers, may combine and league together to overthrow thee, their poisoned arrows shall fall

harmlessly at thy feet. Continue to hold up to the view of a darkened, a besotted, a slaveholding, and a murderous nation, the truth, the whole truth, without diminution, and without abatement. Hold fast thine integrity, thine humility, and thou wilt, thou must be sustained. The God of truth will not desert thee in thy need, the hour of thy greatest peril. The arm which is underneath, which has hitherto, and will henceforth support thee, is infinitely more potent than the combined powers of superstition and darkness that are leagued against thee.

In the cause of "Peace on earth, and good will to men",

Thy friend,

Wm. L. Garrison. Jonathan P. Hagey

P.S. Thou wilt find enclosed the amount of one years subscription for the "Liberator" please forward it per mail to New Hope P. O. Bucks Co. Pa.

and oblige

Philadelphia 10mo. 5. 1837 J. P. H.

My dear friend — I have just arrived here from Bucks Co. and desire to say to thee that I deeply sympathize with thee in thy late severe trials caused by the base hypocrisy of some who have professed to be abolitionists or the friend of the poor slave, when in reality they were only seeking their own aggrandizement at the expense not only of the slave himself, but of his most valued and tried friends, and I knew not how to express my sympathy better than in obtaining subscribers to the Liberator the early and fearless champion of human rights —

I give below the names of six persons (and enclose the money) which I should not have obtained a thought of trying to obtain, but for the exertions recently made to put down the Liberator, and through me in Bucks Co. owing to our location, generally take the Nat. Enquirer & Emancipator, yet if the Liberator should be straightened for want of support our friends here would not only take the paper but aid it by donations

Thy sincere friend

Wm. Lloyd Garrison —

P. S. I request our friend Jonathan P. Magill to subscribe for the Joseph Healy

Liberator & write me a letter & I send four others, and two dollars for Thos. Janney of Newtown who is already a subscriber — I have deducted twenty five percent from the five new subscribers & sent on the two dollars for Janney without any deduction — this is agreable to an arrangement made with friend Knapp — viz —

Jonathan P. Magill	Newhope	Bucks. Co.	Pa.	$2.00 deduct	50 cents	$1.50
Joseph Janney	Dolington	do.	do.	2.00 —	50 =	1.50
Elizabeth Ely	Newhope	do.	do.	2.00 —	50 =	1.50
Penquite Linton	Newtown	do	do.	2.00 —	50 =	1.50
George B. Brown	Morrisville	do.	do.	2.00 —	50 =	1.50
Thos. Janney	of Newtown	do. do.	paid	2.00 on account		2.00
						$9.50

I had a letter from Pawtucket a few days since saying that Cynthia had been a member of the Liberator — I am very sorry for it only assumes the appearance of much due attention to my duties &c &c

I send a ten dollar note on the U.S. Bank & wish me to see that this is duly credited to each man respectively dont fail to cause this to be done — If we had had business only to perform we should have addressed friend Southard only but we could not refrain from saying a few words to thee at this time — please to credit me, & tell friend Southard to, with the fifty cents against a future time and acknowledge the receipt of the ten Dollars in the Liberator — — I have written most of this in a room where we were talking on other subjects, so that I have made many erasures and corrections &c please forgive this — My wife would like to be remembered to thee she has read the controversy with deep but painful interest — Jos. Healy

N. B. I forwarded the money and name Cynthia Hill of Pawtucket R. I. last spring — I sent a ten dollar note to friend Knapp requesting him to pay $3.50 to Whipple & Damrell for 50 of the "Three Experiments" and $1.50 to go to hold for the Liberator for Cynthia Hill of Pawtucket — please to see to it —

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Philadelphia. Oct 2nd 1837

Dear Brother Garrison, I take advantage of the opportunity offered me here, to make a request that you would have the "Delaware County Republican" placed on your exchange list, & send the Liberator to it. The P.O. address is Darby, Delaware Co. Pa. By complying with this request, you will confer a favor on me. The Editor of the paper named, is leaning decidedly to Abolitionism — & I dont know but I might safely say he is an Abolitionist, & I think if he had a few Abolition papers, extracts from them would sometimes get into his columns. I have commenced a series of essays for him, which he is publishing, & will probably continue for some time — perhaps through the winter.

Lewis C. Gunn, Philadelphia, wishes the Liberator sent to him one year, beginning with the first of this month. He also wishes for the following back Nos if he can have them — or as many of them as he can have. Nos 3, 4, 6 of Vol I. & 1. 3. 5. 14. 21. 23. 27. 38 of Vol VII.

Tell Knapp to credit Gunn for full payment for the above, & charge the amount to me.

[I have just received a letter from James Fulton Esq one of our most active friends in Chester county. Alluding to the clerical appeal, he expresses much joy that it so pointedly rebuked in all quarters, & adds, "Garrison is doubly dear to us now, & we feel more than ever disposed to stand by him unitedly." The same sentiment greets me on all sides. I have not yet heard so much as the faintest whisper of approval of that Appeal, from any Abolitionist in this region, & I still hold the opinion already expressed, that none in this state — or none worth naming — do approve it. I heard yesterday from Bucks Co, that the Abolitionists there with a united & emphatic voice condemn it. The Secretary of the Delaware County Society — a most devoted & valuable friend to our cause, was conversing with me the other day, & assured me that the opinions of all in that county are against the "protesters." He likewise read me a number of resolutions which had been prepared & unanimously approved by the Board of Managers, for the purpose of being submitted to the Society at its quarterly meeting which occurs tomorrow. They are very explicit & pointed in their disapproval of the Appeal, & strongly expressive of confidence in the Liberator & its Editor. They will, probably pass, my friend said, without a dissenting voice, in the society.] But I did not think to dwell on these matters, & if I am not careful I shall engross too much of this sheet.

Your Brother in the good cause

C. C. Burleigh